

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

They are abusing their use of public airwaves to promote a clearly opinionated view of a presidential candidate immediately before the national election. I am not against contrasting opinions being aired side by side, but this is way over the line coming so close to the election and not having the view from the other side. Imagine if you will Michael Moore's controversial film, "Fahrenheit 911," being broadcast in prime time just a week before the election, with no rebuttal. Or consider a debate with one candidate not present to defend his record as the fourth and final debate in the recent series. It simply is un fair and un-American.

As television networks are careful not to alter the outcome on election night with undue results commentary before the polls close, all broadcast media must refrain from biased negative commentary in this final phase, or we risk losing the precious balance of fair, sober, deliberate elections. There is nothing more important to the fabric of our government, and Sinclair Broadcasting is trampling on that balance.

Their license should be revoked for this irresponsible and wreckless decision. Thank you.